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California Environmental Quality Act

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT NEGATIVE DECLARATION

LEAD AGENCY: Bay Area Air Quality Management District

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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT NEGATIVE DECLARATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 21092 AND 21092.3 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE AND CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15072

Project Title: Proposed New Regulation 6: Particulate Matter—Common Definitions and Test Methods; Proposed Amendments to Regulation 6, Rule 1: General Requirements; and Proposed New Regulation 6, Rule 6: Prohibition of Trackout

Project Location: The rule and proposed amendments apply within the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (“Air District”) jurisdiction, which includes all of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara counties, and the southern portions of Solano and Sonoma counties.

Project Description: The Air District has regulatory authority over stationary sources of air pollution in the San Francisco Bay Area. New Regulation 6 is proposed to provide common definitions and test methods that apply to existing Regulation 6 rules and any other source-specific rules as they are developed in the future. A Staff Report provides background information on new Regulation 6 and a summary of the rationale for updating Regulation 6, Rule 1 (Rule 6-1). Background research on Bay Area particulate matter emissions is provided in Attachment 1 of the report. A second Staff Report has been developed to provide the specific information supporting the draft amendments to Rule 6-1. The two proposed rules and two staff reports are intended to provide the public with information on both the new Regulation 6 and draft amendments to Rule 6-1 in advance of Public Hearing. Requirements for bulk material storage and handling facilities have been included in amendments to Rule 6-1.

A new Regulation 6, Rule 6: Prohibition of Trackout (Rule 6-6) is being proposed to prohibit trackout of dirt and other solids onto adjacent public roadways. A third Staff Report has been developed for proposed new Rule 6-6 to provide supporting information. The proposed rule and staff report are intended to provide the public with information in advance of a Public Hearing. Proposed new Rule 6-6 will be considered with proposed new Regulation 6, and amendments to Rule 6-1, at the same Public Hearing.

Negative Declaration: A copy of the Negative Declaration is available for review at the Air District office at 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, on the Air District’s website at <http://www.baaqmd.gov/ruledev>. Written comments on the Negative Declaration must be addressed to:

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Comments on the negative declaration will be received until close of business on Friday, July 6, 2018.

Public Hearing: On Wednesday, August 1, 2018, at 9:30 a.m., the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District will conduct a public hearing to consider adoption of proposed amendments to proposed new Regulation 6: Particulate Matter—Common Definitions and Test Methods; proposed amendments to Regulation 6, Rule 1: General Requirements; proposed New Regulation 6, Rule 6: Prohibition of Trackout; and a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The hearing will be held in the Board Room of the Air District Office at 375 Beale Street in San Francisco.